such as hand pumps, etc., due to non-supply of water pipes; if so, what action Government are taking to rush the supplies of these pipes to those areas; and

(c) whether the Governments of Gujarat and Rajasthan had recently requested the Steel Ministry to see that supply of steel for manufacture of tubes required for projects for water supply for drought affected areas was expedited; if so, whether Government propose to issue necessary instructions to the Steel Authority to expedite supply of steel?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) to (c) The Government of Gujarat has informed the Department of Steel that a unit manufacturing steel tubes for use in irrigation and drinking water supply schemes, requires additional raw materials to meet their time-bound delivery schedule.

In view of the drought situation prevailing in the States of Gujarat and Rajasthan, the Department of Steel has allotted additional quantities of steel to these two State Governments for manufacture of tubes and pipes required for the water supply schemes in the drought affected areas. Steel Authority of India Limited are also stepping up production of hot-rolled coils required for use in manufacture of tubes and pipes during the remaining part of the year.

शिप ब्रेकिंग यूनिट

3841. श्री रशीद मसूद : क्या इस्पात और खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 24 नवम्बर, 1987 के "इकानामिक टाइम्स" में "शिप ब्रेकिंग यूनिट इन ट्रबल" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है ; और

(ख) सरकार इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार रखती है ?

इस्पात और खान मंत्री (श्री एम. एल. फोतेदार) :(क) जी, हां ।

(ख) सरकार इस सम्बन्ध में जहाज तोड़ने वाले उद्योग के आवेदनों की जांच कर रही है ।

Laying of sewerage in Old Shahdara, Delhi

3842. SHRI M. KADHARSHA; Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 3410 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th December, 1986 and state:

(a) what progress has been made so far in laying of the sewer lines in old Shahdara; and

(b) what are the development charges proposed to be levied on the residents of Navin Shahdara and its adjoining colonies namely, Surimal Park and Panchsheel Garden to avail the facility of sewerage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) Sewer lines are being laid in two parts. Under part one 75 per cent of work has since been completed and under part two the work completed so far is 40 per cent. Development charges are at a flat rate of Rs. 45 per sq. meter of plotted area.

Production of fertilizer at Talcher Fertilizer Plant

3843. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present position of Talcher Fertilizer Plant in terms of its production of fertilizer from coal annually during the last three years;

(b) what are the items other than fertilizer produced in the plant; and

(c) what is the present position of manpower in the plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN . THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (aV The annual production of the Talcher